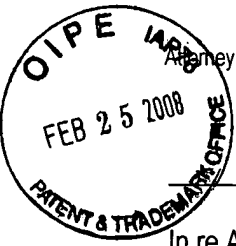


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AMENDMENT

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PETITION

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a three-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of November 21, 2007. A check in the amount of \$1050 in payment of the government fee for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith so that the period for response is extended to February 21, 2008. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.